(d) ONGC has till 21-8-90 paid about US $ 0.8 million for charter hire of two S-6 IN helicopters from Canada. Most of this expenditure is in foreign exchange.

(e) Pawan Hans Limited has leased 10 Dauphin helicopters to ONGC to partially fill the gap caused by the grounding of Westland helicopters. Besides this, PHL has plan to re-induct Westland helicopters in a phased manner with ONGC. The first two helicopters are to start operations at Bombay High by the end of this month.

Objections by Assam Government (outside) on Sending crude oil for Refining outside the State

2110. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that the Assam Chief Minister has objected to the transportation of crude oil from the oilfields to refineries outside the State; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government on his objection?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) The Chief Minister of Assam has requested that no additional crude oil from the oil fields in Assam should be taken out of the State.

(b) It has been clarified to the Government of Assam that the proposed looping of the pipeline of OIL is meant to augment pipeline capacity for regular supply of crude oil to the refineries, and no additional crude oil is proposed to be transported through this pipeline to refineries outside the State.

Acquisition of L&T shares by Reliance Industries

2111. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reliance Industries had applied for acquisition of L&T shares and if so, when and under what provisions of the MRTP Act;

(b) whether he is aware that permission has been granted for floating debentures and allotment of 2|3rd of the Mega Issue shares to the Reliance group shareholders only; and

(c) whether the source of funds to acquire such large holding in L&T by Reliance Industries has been gone into by the Board?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) The Department of Company Affairs have not received any application from M|s Reliance Industries Ltd. for acquisition shares of M|s Larsen & Toubro Ltd. under the provisions of the M.R.T.P. Act. As such, the source of the funds for acquisition of the shares was not gone into.

M|s Larsen & Toubro Ltd. was granted consent on 29-8-89 by the Controller of

Capital Issues for issue of fully convertible debentures aggregating Rs. 820.025 crores. The mode of allotment of convertible debentures was as under:—

	(Rs. in crores)	
A. (i) Rights issue	190.50	
(ii) Employees of Larsen & Toubro Ltd.	9.525	200.025
B. Public issue of Rs. 620.00 crores with following preferential reservations:—		620.000
		820.025
(i) Equity shareholders of Larsen & Toubro Ltd. . . .	60.00	
(ii) Convertible debenture holders of Larsen & Toubro Ltd. . .	50.00	
(iii) Shareholders of Reliance Industries Ltd. and Reliance Petrochemicals Ltd, ...	310.00	
(iv) Employees of Larson & Toubro Ltd.	31.00	

Import of certain drugs

2112. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Cefazidime, Cephatexime Sodium, Cephazoikue Sodium, Dextroculorpheniramine Maleate and Ceftraiazone Sodium have been cleared for marketing in India;

(b) if so, when was each of these drugs cleared and what are the names of companies which have been granted marketing permission;

(c) what is the composition of each allowed;

(d) whether it is a fact that all these drugs are imported in the country; and

(e) if so, what was the quantity and CIF value of import of each drug during the last three years, yearwise and what are the names of importers and source of import?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Cefazidine, Cephatexine Sodium, Cephazolidine Sodium and Ceftazidime have been cleared as new drugs for marketing in India. Dextochloro pheniramine maleate is an old drug and is being marketed.

(b) to (e) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Complaints against some officers of Department of Chemicals

2113. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry received number of complaints against certain officers of Department of Chemicals;

(b) if so, the details of complaints received during the last three years, and current year upto 10th August, 1990;

(c) what is the nature of each complaint and what action has been taken on each;

(d) whether it is a fact that none of the complaints has been investigated so far;